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SUBJECT: WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

1. REFLECTING JAPAN'S DEEP-SEATED ANXIETY OVER CONTINUING MID-EAST TENSION AND THE IMPACT ANOTHER WAR COULD HAVE ON ITS OIL SUPPLY, ALL MEDIA GIVING EXTENSIVE COVERAGE TO THIS WEEK'S CAMP DAVID SUMMIT. COMMENTARY PLACES GREAT SIGNIFICANCE ON PRESIDENT CARTER'S PARTICIPATION "AS FULL PARTNER AND NOT MERELY AS MEDIATOR," WITH NETWORKS DESCRIBING HIM AS "PUTTING HIS POLITICAL LIFE ON THE LINE." YOMIURI EDITORIAL, REFERRING TO SUMMIT AS GREAT GAMBLE, SAYS: "IF PRESIDENT CARTER, WHO IS STAKING HIS POLITICAL LIFE ON THE SETTling OF THE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM, TIDES OVER THE TALKS, HE WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE BOLD MEASURES DURING HIS THIRD YEAR IN OFFICE." GENERAL TONE OF SPECULATION, HOWEVER, IS PESSIMISTIC, TYPIFIED BY SANKEI'S REFERENCE TO TALKS AS "LAST CHANCE TO REVERSE LOSS OF MOMENTUM TOWARD PEACE RESULTING FROM EGYPT-ISRAEL CONFRONTATION," AND CONTINUING, "THE OUTLOOK IS NOT EASY.  
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WE PRAY FOR PRESIDENT CARTER'S POSITIVE MEDIATION EFFORTS." INFLUENTIAL NIHON KEIZAI GLUMLY POINTS OUT THAT "FAILURE OF CAMP DAVID SUMMIT COULD LEAD TO COLLAPSE OF MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS WHICH IN TURN COULD INTENSIFY THE CONFLICT, CAUSE ANOTHER FLARE-UP OF ARAB OIL PROBLEM AND INVITE SOVIET INTERVENTION." IN REACTION TO RATHER WIDESPREAD EXPECTATION THAT CARTER WILL PROPOSE STATIONING

OF U.S. FORCES IN OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, MAINICHI SAYS:  
"....IT WOULD SEEM IMPOSSIBLE FOR THIS PLAN TO RECEIVE  
APPROVAL OF PRESENT CONSERVATIVE CONGRESS BECAUSE OF  
APPROACHING OFF-YEAR ELECTION." ASAHI'S BEIRUT  
CORRESPONDENT REPORTS "EVEN MOST OPTIMISTIC BELIEVE  
TALKS WILL END WITH EGYPT AND ISRAEL AGREEING ONLY TO  
CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS."

SECOND ITEM OCCUPYING PAGE ONE THIS WEEK IS FUKUDA'S  
PRESENT TRIP TO IRAN, QATAR, UAE AND SAUDI ARABIA AS  
FIRST JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TO MAKE SUCH TRIP WHILE  
IN OFFICE. COMMENT NOTED THAT JAPAN'S RELATIONS WITH  
MIDEAST HAVE BEEN "DISTANT" DESPITE FACT THAT NATION  
DEPENDS ON THAT AREA FOR 80 PER CENT OF ITS OIL IMPORTS.  
TRIP DESIGNED TO STRENGTHEN JAPAN'S TIES, POLITICALLY  
AND ECONOMICALLY, WITH REGION AND SECURE OIL SUPPLY ON  
LONGTERM BASIS.

AMONG OTHER TOP STORIES, U.S. SIDE PICTURED AS TAKING  
TOUGHER THAN EXPECTED STAND IN CURRENT WASHINGTON  
MEETING BETWEEN SPECIAL TRADE REP. STRAUSS AND AGRI-  
CULTURE MINISTER NAKAGAWA ON U.S. DEMANDS FOR INCREASED  
JAPANESE IMPORTS OF AMERICAN BEEF AND CITRUS. PRESS  
IS CONTINUING TO RUN POST PRESS RELEASES ON VARIOUS  
GROUPS THAT WILL COMPRISE OCTOBER'S U.S. EXPORT DEVELOP-  
MENT MISSION TO JAPAN. ANNOUNCEMENT OF JUANITA KREPS'  
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PARTICIPATION VIEWED AS INDICATION OF IMPORTANCE U.S.  
GOVERNMENT ATTACHES TO THIS MISSION.

2. TRADE PROMOTION - THE U.S. IMAGE. IN FURTHER  
SUPPORT OF EFFORTS TO ILLUSTRATE AMERICAN ATTEMPTS TO  
DEAL POSITIVELY WITH PROBLEMS CREATED BY THE TRADE  
IMBALANCE, DR. PAUL ANDRISANI, PROFESSOR OF INDUSTRIAL  
RELATIONS AND DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS RESEARCH,  
TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, MET WITH BUSINESS AND LABOR AUDIENCES  
IN NAGOYA AND FUKUOKA TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS RELATED TO  
UNEMPLOYMENT AND MANPOWER. ANDRISANI FOCUSED ON THE  
SERIOUSNESS OF IMPORT-CAUSED UNEMPLOYMENT AND WHAT THE  
U.S. IS TRYING TO DO TO EASE THE READJUSTMENT OF DIS-  
PLACED WORKERS. HIS ANALOGY OF A POTENTIALLY SIMILAR  
PROBLEM TAKING PLACE IN JAPAN AS A RESULT OF THE RISE  
IN THE VALUE OF THE YEN WAS NOT LOST ON THE AUDIENCE;  
QUESTIONING WAS EXHAUSTIVE. POST RECOMMENDS ANDRISANI  
HIGHLY AND LOOKS FORWARD TO HIS NEXT VISIT.

3. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. FOLLOWING PROFESSOR HAROLD  
C. HINTON'S TIMELY AND RELEVANT PROGRAM ON "STABILITY IN  
NORTHEAST ASIA" AT SAPPORO AMERICAN CENTER, POST ARRANGED

VARIOUS APPOINTMENTS WITH EMBASSY POLITICAL OFFICERS AND KEY INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS SPECIALISTS IN TOKYO. NEXT WEEK DR. HINTON WILL CONTINUE ON TO FUKUOKA AND TO NAHA WHERE HE WILL PARTICIPATE IN AN ICA-SPONSORED PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE RYUKYUS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF CONSUL GENERAL STRAUS. THIS IS FIRST SUBSTANTIVE PROGRAM AT UNIVERSITY IN WHICH WE HAVE BEEN ENGAGED ON POLICY CONCERNS. POST PLANS CONTINUED CLOSE COOPERATION

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WITH CONGEN IN FUTURE PROGRAMMING IN OKINAWA ON PRIORITY OBJECTIVES.

4. COMMERCIAL AND EXPERIMENTAL FILMS. FILM CRITIC AND CINEMA EXPERT, DR. ALBERT JOHNSON, ATTRACTED ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCES TO HIS DISCUSSIONS ON EXPERIMENTAL FILMS IN FUKUOKA, SAPPORO, SENDAI AND OSAKA. HE IS CONVERSANT WITH ALL FACETS OF COMMERCIAL FILMMAKING AND RELATES THIS KNOWLEDGE TO EXPERIMENTAL FILMS. IN ADDITION TO MANY OPPORTUNITIES HE HAS HAD TO EXCHANGE IDEAS ON AMERICAN FILMS, DR. JOHNSON HAS BEEN MEETING WITH LEADING JAPANESE AND FOREIGN FILMMAKERS AND CRITICS AND VIEWING CURRENT JAPANESE EXPERIMENTAL FILMS. HE WILL BE IN-COUNTRY FOR TWO MORE WEEKS OF PROGRAMMING IN KYOTO, NAGOYA AND TOKYO.

5. FUJI TV PLANNING TO EXPAND THEIR 30-MINUTE EVENING  
NEWSCAST TO ONE HOUR AND USE SATELLITE-TRANSMITTED  
COMMENTARY ON INTERNATIONAL EVENTS BY FOREIGN NEWSMEN.  
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NYT'S RICHARD HALLORAN HAS REPORTEDLY AGREED TO ARRANGE-  
MENT. POST SEES THIS AS SIGNIFICANT BROADENING OF  
EXPOSURE OF MASS AUDIENCE TO AMERICAN VIEWPOINT ON  
CURRENT ISSUES AND IS ENCOURAGING FUJI ON THIS PROJECT  
AND DISCUSSING FEASIBILITY OF UTILIZING ICA WASHINGTON  
STUDIOS FOR THIS PURPOSE. FORSTER

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